GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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FRUITGROVE IN A & N ISLANDS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total hectares of area covered under fruitgrove in Andaman Nicobar Islands;

(b) the number of farmers benefited therefrom;

(c) whether there is any arrangement for bringing produces from this plantation area to the market; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) & (b): An area of 4087 hectares have been covered under fruit grove in Andaman & Nicobar Islands which has benefited about 8000 farmers.

(c) & (d): The produce is mostly sold by the farmers in the local market. However, regular road transport as well as inter-island ferry services are available for transporting the produce to the market at Port Blair.